

The InterAgency Board for Equipment Standardization and InterOperability

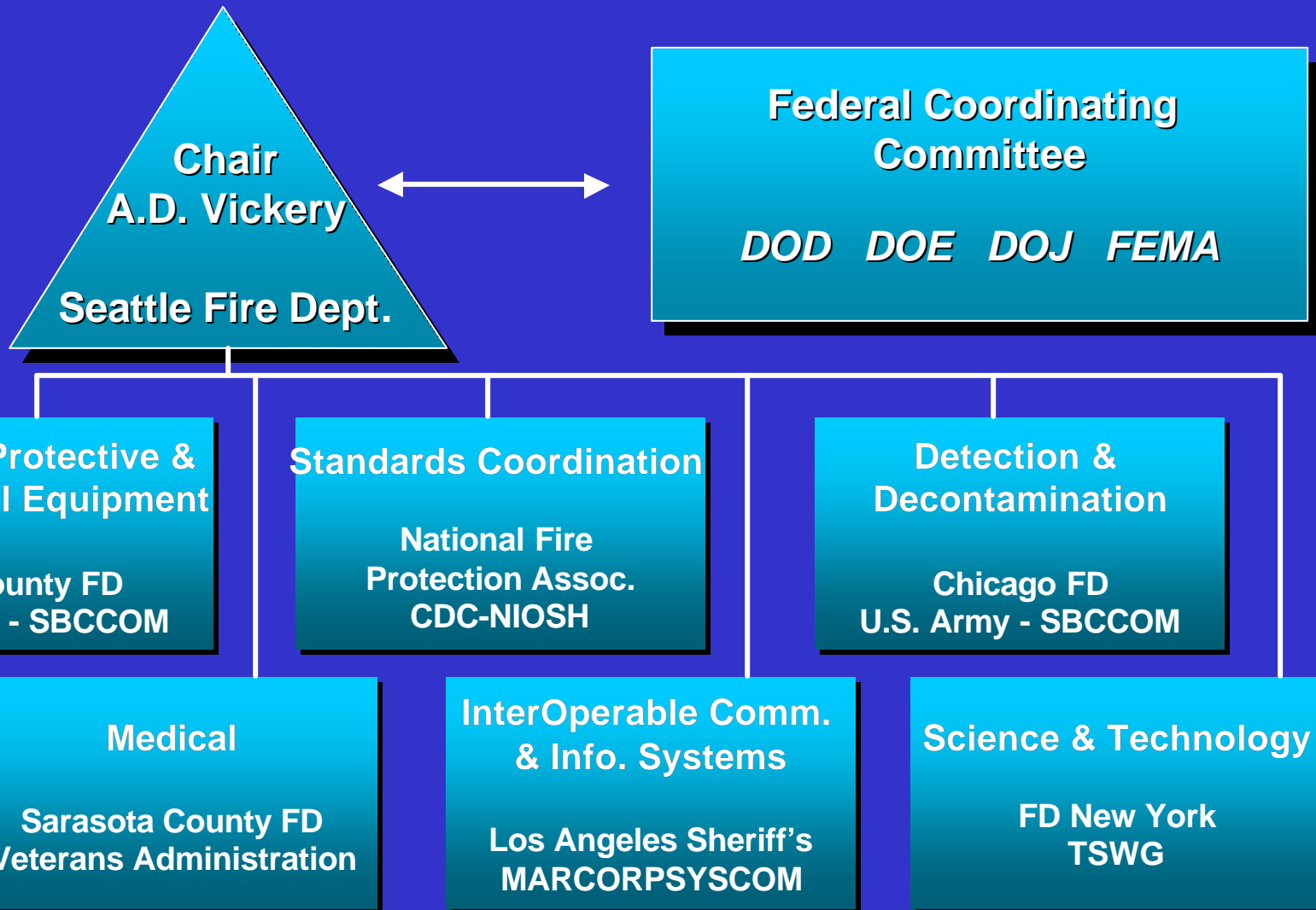


IAB MISSION

The IAB is designed to establish and coordinate local, state, and federal standardization, interoperability, and responder safety to prepare for, respond to, mitigate, and recover from any incident by identifying requirements for Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear or Explosives (CBRNE) incident response equipment.



IAB ORGANIZATION 2002



IAB SCOPE

The IAB supports the local, state, and federal responders' efforts in Homeland Security by:

- Serving in an advisory capacity to all federal agencies.
- Facilitating integration among local, state, and federal response communities to promote proper selection and use of the best available equipment and procedures to optimize safety, interoperability, and efficiency.
- Developing, maintaining, and updating a Standardized Equipment List (SEL).



IAB SCOPE

- Identifying and prioritizing CBRNE incident response equipment requirements.
- Encouraging manufacturers, governmental, military, and private agencies to sponsor priority research and development projects to satisfy local, state, and federal CBRNE incident response equipment requirements.
- Providing assistance and/or guidance to agencies, associations, and manufacturers, requiring operational testing of new and emerging equipment and technologies.



